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**CHITA CITY COMMITTEE HOLDS PARTY CONFERENCE**

26 February Session -- Zatykal'skiy Rabochiy, No 40, 27 Feb 49

The Tenth Chita City Conference of the VKP(b) opened on 26 February with a short speech by G. I. Voronov, secretary of the Chita Oblast Committee and Chita City Committee VKP(b). The following composed the presidium of the conference: Voronov, Fedorov, and P. G. Golubev, secretaries of the Chita Oblast Committee VKP(b); K. P. Golubev, chairman of the Chita Oblast Executive Committee; Barsukov, Nasilov, and Sofronova, secretaries of the Chita City Committee VKP(b); Koroteyev, commander of the Transbaykal Military District; Tarasov, locomotive engineer of Chita Depot No 1; Kattybayev, honor miners; Startseva, Stakhanovite at the fur plant; Volkova, honored teacher; Korochachenko, chief of the Far East Railroad Okrug; Semikobyla, Hero of Socialist Labor, and others.

The conference unanimously confirmed the following agenda: report of the City Committee VPK(b), report of the City Auditing Commission VPK(b), elections of the City Committee VPK(b), and elections of the City Auditing Commission VPK(b).

G. I. Voronov, secretary of the City Committee and Oblast Committee VKP(b), gave the main report on the work of the Chita City Party Committee, dealing first with the achievements of the city's industry, the work of the city and rayon soviets of workers' deputies, the conditions in schools, and the general improvement of the city's economy. The report stated that the Soviet of Ministers RSFSR had found the work of the Chita City Executive Committee unsatisfactory for its failure to take necessary measures to improve the city's economy.

A considerable part of the report dealt with the problem of party organizational work. City and rayon Party committees considerably improved their guidance over Party conferences, the majority of which are now held regularly and on a higher political level, with more Communists taking active part. Low-level Communists in a number of organizations, however, are not given enough opportunity to participate in Party conferences. The 48 candidates

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to membership in the VKP(b) of the Administration of the Transbaykal Railroad System had no opportunity during the course of the year to speak at Party conferences. City and rayon committees, which direct party organizations in industrial and transport enterprises, have attempted to make primary Party organizations use more extensively their right to control the activity of enterprise administrations; but many Party organizations are not fulfilling this function satisfactorily.

City Party organizations have done much to organize and staff the Party education system for the current school year. A total of 136 study groups, including 20 high-level groups, have been created in the city, and 92 percent of the membership of Party organizations are taking some phase of political education. Approximately 642 members of the VKSM and non-Party persons are included in the Party training program. The city and rayon Party committees have made good preparations for the school year but have not continued their control over Party training since then. In the period following the last city conference, Party members have made great strides in increasing their political and educational level by independent study. A total of 125 leading workers in oblast, city and rayon institutions and enterprises have taken political training under the immediate supervision and control of the city committee and nearly 240 have studied under the control of rayon Party committees.

The City Committee VKP(b) has taken a number of measures to organize the political training of Party, Soviet, and industrial leaders and to improve work with the intelligentsia. Forty directors and chief engineers of the city's enterprises completed a seminar in political economy under the control of the city committee. A lecture bureau was created in the city to give regular political lectures for teachers and doctors. The city committee and rayon committees, however, rarely hold conferences of various intellectual groups and have not done enough to recruit the intelligentsia for lecture work.

Voronov's report also dealt with problems of directing Komsomol and trade-union activities. The chief flaw in the work of Komsomol organizations in the city is their failure to admit new members. During 1948, only 1,589 members were admitted to the Komsomol, and organizations in some larger enterprises have not increased at all. The task of the City Committee and all Party organizations in regard to trade unions is to increase Party control over the work of the unions which must improve their activity in organizing competitions in industry and in improving workers' living conditions.

In conclusion, Voronov spoke of the auditing reports and elections held in Party organizations from 25 December 1948 to 20 February 1949. The reports and elections indicate an increased participation by Communists in discussing the reports of their directors. In discussing the reports of secretaries of the Party bureau, 1,845 Communists, of whom 1,188 were low-level members took part.

The conference then heard reports by A. M. Zakharov, chairman of the City Auditing Commission and Lapshekov, representative of the Fifth Party Conference of Chitinskiy Rayon. Gladyshev, secretary of the Zaeleznodorozhnyy Rayon Committee VKP(b), was the first to open debate on the auditing reports of the City Committee and the City Auditing Commission VKP(b) and criticized the failure of the city committee to give sufficient attention to the problems of the rayon.

Delegate Popov spoke of the waste and speculation prevailing in the city's trading organizations. Machinist Zavadovskiy spoke on the achievements of Chita's enterprises. Zernosekov, chairman of the executive committee of the Ingodinskiy Rayon Soviet of Workers' Deputies, criticized directors of enterprises who fail to improve workers' living conditions. Il'in, secretary of the Party organization of the Chita Oblast Forestry Administration, appealed to

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Komsomols to sponsor a program of tree planting in the city. Tyshkova, secretary of the Tsentral'nyy Rayon Committee VKP(b), criticized the work of the executive committee of the Oblast Soviet of Workers' Deputies. Klymyuk, teacher at the pedagogical institute, spoke of the deficiencies in the work of the city committee in directing national education organizations. Delegate Aleksasheva reported that teaching in some of the city's schools is on a low ideological level.

At the end of the evening session, the conference heard a report by the mandate commission. Makhov, chairman of the commission, stated that 278 delegates, with the right of decisive vote, and 30 delegates, with the right of consultative vote, are participating in the conference. Facts on the composition of the delegation show an increase in the educational level of Communists. Twenty-two percent of the delegates have higher and incomplete higher education, 44 percent have secondary education, and only 34 percent have had incomplete secondary and primary education. One hundred of the delegates entered the Party during the war and postwar periods, 104 are deputies to soviets of workers' deputies, 106 are holders of USSR orders, and 22 percent are women.

27 February Session -- Zabaykal'skiy Rabochiy, No 41, 1 Mar 49

The debate on the report of the Chita City Committee VKP(b) was continued in the 27 February morning session. Dubovoy, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Chita City Soviet of Workers' Deputies, discussed the improvement in the city's welfare and economy. Yefimov, director of the pedagogical institute, spoke on the necessity for unity in the field of higher education and criticized the city committee for its insufficient leadership of the institute. Davydik, secretary of the Party Collegium of the Chita Oblast Committee VKP(b), reported on the large program of work carried out by the city committees VKP(b).

Kuz'min, secretary of the Chernovskiy Rayon Committee VKP(b), described the style of work of the city committee and its administrative organization. Vitlin, director of the power combine, discussed the work of the city committee in relation to power enterprises of the city. Kashafutdinov, secretary of the Ingodinskiy Rayon Committee VKP(b), criticized the city committee's lack of guidance of the rayon committee's operations. Sharomov, secretary of the Chita Committee VLKSM, criticized a number of city primary Party organizations for failing to assist Komsomol organizations, and appealed for stronger Party control of Komsomol activities.

Kosygin, chairman of the Chernovskiy Rayon Executive Committee, criticized the city committee's activity in relation to the rayon. Baranova, delegate from Zhelezнодорожный Rayon and chairman of the Traveling Committee of the volunteer Red Cross Society, spoke on education work among children and youth and criticized the city's Party organizations for failing to give sufficient attention to the work of defense societies.

The conference then welcomed a delegation of soldiers from the Chita garrison, the welcome speech being given by General-mayor Shurshin.

Vasil'yev, secretary of the City Committee VKP(b), spoke on Party education work and the need for increasing mass political agitation and propaganda work in the city's enterprises. Lukovkin, secretary of the Party Bureau of the Administration of the Trans-Siberian Railroad System, criticized the industrial transport division of the City Committee for failing to give sufficient assistance to the system. Serov, chief of the Chita Oblast Department of National Education, told of the necessity of increasing Party control over schools and political work among teachers. A speech by Vasin, representative of the locomotive and railroad car repair plant, ended the debate on the report of the

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## City Committee.

After concluding words by Voronov, the conference unanimously declared the political line of the City Committee to be correct and its activity to be satisfactory. After electing the new staff of the City Committee and the Auditing Commission, the conference was closed at 2200.

## New Staff of Chita City Committee VKP(b)

Baranova, M. N.	Gladyshev, V. I.	Izyumin, A. F.
Barsukov, A. N.	Davydik, S. I.	Kattybayev, Kh. A.
Belyy, Ye. S.	Dmitriyev, V. P.	Kravchik, L. F.
Bufatina, A. A.	Dubovoy, A. V.	Kuz'min, A. M.
Vaganova, A. M.	D'yachkov, A. A.	Kuz'minykh, I. I.
Vasil'yev, V. D.	Yevstropov, I. V.	Kutimskiy, A. A.
Vinogradov, M. Ya.	Yefimov, V. P.	Lapenkov, N. Ye.
Voronov, G. I.	Izergina, Ye. P.	Loban, F. M.
Lukovkin, M. G.	Petrov, G. G.	Tyshkov, V. S.
Matantsev, I. A.	Plotnikov, V. I.	Kharchenko, P. G.
Makhov, N. M.	Rukin, A. A.	Snalygin, M. I.
Mel'nikov, P. P.	Rubtsov, K. A.	Sharonov, A. F.
Nikulin, P. A.	Savchenko, P. S.	Shestakov, F. A.
Orlov, P. A.	Safronova, N. Ya.	Shilyayeva, F. N.
Oshkovskiy, A. K.	Smelyanchuk, V. M.	Shmanenko, V. K.
Pavlov, M. A.	Sukachev, D. N.	

## New Staff of Candidates to Membership in City Committee VKP(b)

Glazunov, K. P.	Kaplun, Z. I.	Rykova, M. Ye.
Davydov, P. F.	Kezikov, V. F.	Pryadko, M. F.
Dudnik, V. I.	Kirillov, M. S.	Sorokin, G. K.
Yeliseyeva, Ye. N.	Krylova, Kh. M.	Stolyarov, A. I.
Zhernosekov, A. S.	Molodtsov, N. I.	Terlets kaya, V. A.
Zhuraviev, P. G.	Nemokonova, V. A.	

## New Staff of Chita City Auditing Commission VKP(b)

Balashov, G. M.	Glukhon'kiy, P. S.	Zakharov, A. M.
Vshivtsev, I. O.	Dlusskaya, M. P.	Finogenova, D. D.
Galanov, A. I.		

## FIRST PLENUM ELECTS OFFICIALS -- Zabaykal'skiy Rabochiy, No 41, 1 Mar 49

The First Plenum of the Chita City Committee VKP(b) was held on 28 February. The plenum elected G. I. Voronov as first secretary of the City Committee VKP(b), A. N. Barsukov, as second secretary of the City Committee, and V. D. Vasil'yev and N. Ya. Safronova as secretaries of the City Committee. The plenum elected the following members of the Bureau of the City Committee VKP(b): G. I. Voronov, A. N. Barsukov, V. D. Vasil'yev, N. Ya. Safronova, A. V. Dubovoy, M. Ya. Vinogradov, V. K. Shmanenko, N. M. Makhov, A. M. Kuz'min, P. A. Orlov, P. S. Savchenko and P. G. Kharchenko were elected candidates to membership in the Bureau of the City Committee VKP(b). The plenum confirmed the appointment of the following chiefs of the City Committee: Orlov, chief of the Propaganda and Agitation Section; Makhov, chief of the Section of Party, Trade Union and Economic Organizations; Plotnikov, chief of the Industry and Transport Section; Vaganova, chief of the Planning Financial, and Trade Section.

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